

CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENTS (Nos. 1–3)

November 6, 2012



CA No. 1: MEDICAID TRUST FUND

- Authorizes the legislature to establish a procedure to determine if there will be a projected deficit and an adequate method for adjusting appropriations to eliminate the projected deficit and provides that the Medicaid Trust Fund for the Elderly created under the provisions of R.S. 46:2691 et seq. is exempted from such adjustments. SB 82

CA No. 2: GUNS

- Provides that the right of each citizen to keep and bear arms is fundamental and shall not be infringed and any restriction on the right to keep and bear arms shall be subject to strict scrutiny. SB 303

CA No. 3: NOTICE OF RETIREMENT BILLS

- Provides prefiling deadlines and notice requirements for legislation effecting any change in laws relative to any retirement system for public employees. SB 21

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CA No. 4: PROPERTY TAXES FOR SPOUSES

- Provides that the surviving spouse of a deceased veteran with a service-connected disability rating of 100% shall be eligible for an additional homestead exemption if the surviving spouse occupies and remains the owner of the property subject to the homestead exemption, whether or not the homestead exemption was in effect on the property prior to the death of the veteran. SB 337

CA No. 5: FORFEITURE OF RETIREMENT

- Authorizes the legislature to provide for the forfeiture of public retirement benefits by any person who holds or held any public office or employment and is convicted of a felony associated with and committed during his service in such public office or employment. Applies to persons employed, re-employed or elected and to retirement benefits earned on or after January 1, 2013. HB 9

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CA No. 6: PROPERTY TAX IN NEW IBERIA

- Authorizes the governing authority of New Iberia to enter into ad valorem tax exemption contracts on property annexed by the city after January 1, 2013, which contracts are effective only if approved by a two-thirds vote of the members of the governing authority of the city. HB 497

CA No. 7: BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS

- Retains the same number of members of the Board of Regents, Board of Supervisors of the University of Louisiana System, Board of Supervisors of Southern University and Agricultural and Mechanical College, State Civil Service Commission and State Police Commission, provides for the appointment of members of the boards and commissions, and provides for the filling of vacancies on the boards and commissions, including vacancies occurring after congressional appointment. HB 524

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CA No. 8: PROPERTY TAXES FOR BUSINESSES

- Authorizes the State Board of Commerce and Industry to enter into ad valorem tax exemption contracts with targeted non manufacturing businesses in parishes which have agreed to participate in the program established to grant such contracts. HB 674

CA No. 9: CRIME PREVENTION DISTRICTS

- Provides notice requirements prior to enacting any local or special law relative to the creation of a security district. Requires the notice to state the substance of the contemplated law, to disclose whether the governing authority of the security district would be authorized by the contemplated law to impose and collect a parcel fee within the district, whether the parcel fee will be imposed or may be increased without an election, and the maximum amount of the parcel fee if a maximum amount is set forth in the contemplated law. SB 410